RICHMOND, VA., WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1896.

Much Excitement.

## FOR CHARITY'S SAKE Bail of the Ladies' Southern Relief As-

sociation, of Washington. TO AID NEEDY CONFEDERATES.

Beautiful Entertainment Participated in by Many of the Fairest Representatives of Dixie Land at

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 4.-(Special.)—The charity ball given at the Rifles' Armory to-night by the ladies of the Southern Relief Association was the most brilliant of all the annual balls given by this association. The armory was gorgeously festioned with flags and unting, while ferns and potted plants maks of roses shed their perfume over spacious room, and as the strains the first waits brought the dancers the floor the scene was one of splender rarely equalled, even in this garden,

of beautiful tints; and, as their wearers danced beneath the

with chiffon trimmings, and she carried a bouquet of La France roses.

Miss Emma Conrad, daughter of Professor Thomas N. Conrad, late president of the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College, is one of Virginia's most beautiful daughters, pozsessing a petite and plquant face, and svelte figure, and possessing great vivacity, and a charm of manner, which give her an enviable position among the belles of the South. Her dress was brocaded Dreeden silk, trimmed with real lace.

Miss Cooper, of Texas, is a petite blende, whose golden hair waves back from a well-potsed head. Her large, blue eyes are shadowed by dark brows and long lashes. Every feature is of delicate mould, and her complexion is perfect. Her costume was of pale blue satin, with pearl passementeric, and real lace.

Miss Witz, of Staunton, Va., daughter

Miss Witz, of Staunton, Va., daughter of a very wealthy and prominent merchant, is a most charming and fascinating girl, possessing qualities which make her many friends. She has a Madonna-like face, framed in a wealth of dark-brown hair, a clear complexion, and large, expressive brown eyes. Her costume was white satin, with lace, and outrich tips.

MANY BELLES.

Others present and admired were;
Miss Blanchard, daughter of Senator
Blanchard, of Louisiana, has made her
debut this winter at a blue tea. Her
dark hair waves naturally, her eyes are n, and her complexion is good,

crown in society. Costume, black velvet, princess, low neck and short sleeves;

princess, low neck and short sleeves; dismond ornaments. Mrs. Me edith, wife of Hon. E. E. Mere-

dith, is a very handsome woman, of charming manners, who entortains largely. Costume, while silk brocade, os-trich-feather trimmings; diamond orna-

Miss Blanchard, Miss Langhorne, Otey, Miss McMillan, Miss Stone, Allen, Miss Lomax, the Misson

Allen, Miss Lomax, the Misses Payne Miss Baker, Miss McConnell, Miss Walton

cer, J. R. Ryan, Charles Crisp, Beverly Read, and many others.

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SOUTHERN REPRESENTATIVES.

glowing lights the kaleidoscopic effect | Swanson, is a handsome demi-blande, well beggars descriptions.
The Marine Sand furnished the music

for the occasion, and with mellifluous waltz and stately cotilion charmed and entranced the brilliant assemblage. There was no hour of dulners, no second in which the varying scene lest its spiender which the varying scene lost its spientor; no moment in which each happy hear!
Mrs. Jones, wife of Hon. W. A. Jones, did not respond to the invitation to is one of the youngest of society's market in the wonderful charm of the revel in the wonderful charm of the most charming hostess. Costume, blue

stated above, of the Ladies' Southern Relief Association, the members of which were assisted by the Confederate Vete-

OBJECT OF ENTERTAINMENT.

The chief object of the entertainment 

help is considerable, is immense amount of work and good which have heretofore been accomplished.

The ladies who have charge of the work are: Mrs. Ella Rust Smith (chairman). Miss Ida Reall, Mrs. W. B. Turisi, Mrs. K. G. Persey, Mrs. Robert N. Hasper, Miss Fairfax, Miss Nicholson, Mrs. Q. T. Munce, Mrs. J. L. Monroe, Mrs. W. D. Peachy, Mrs. McManus, Mrs. Cainden, Mrs. J. W. Young, Mrs. Clarence Dawson, and Mrs. Howard.

The officers of the Ladies' Relief Association are Mrs. E. M. Gaisen, of Virginia, president: Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Albert Akers, Mrs. M. A. Ballinger, and Mrs. Walsh: Recording Secretary, Mrs. Truchart Buck; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Catherine Storm: Treasurer, Mrs. Miss Catherine Storm: Treasurer, Mrs.

Allen, Miss Lomax, the Misses Payne, Miss Baker, Miss McConnell, Miss Walton, Miss Cooper, Mrs. W. S. Burke, Miss Tucker, Miss Breckinridge, Miss Robinson, Miss Bayly, Miss Berry, Miss Bryan, Miss Capehart, and Miss De Armond.

These represent every State south of Mason & Dixon's line. Among the gentlemen participating were Representative Robins, Representative Onesmore, Representative Swanson, Representative Otey, Representative Jones, Representative Meredith, Representative Walker, Senator Martin, Senator Daniel, Senator Bianchard, Senator Pugh, Senator Jones, Senator Harris, Senator Lindsay, Senator Morgan, Senator Gorman, Senator Faulkner, Grif, Smith, Charles Faulkner, Clarence Young, J. B. Cole, T., Nelson Conrad, R. L. Clark, Robert Moorman, S. P. Epps, Claude Mercer, J. R. Ryan, Charles Crisp, Beverly rechart Ruck; Corresponding Sceretary, iss Catherine Sterm; Treasurer, Mrs. ignus Thompson. Executive Committee-Chairman, Mrs. J. T. Callahan, of trginis; chairman Relief Committee, irs. Rust Smith; president of the Condernie Veterans' Association. Dr. Byrd dwis, of Virginia; Vice-Presidents, J. Hickey and Maxnus Thompson; chairman Executive Committee, Findley Harse; chairman Relief Committee, J. B. Calch.

The Reception Committee at the ball senight consisted of Mrs. John G. Carlaic, Mrs. Hoke Smith, and Miss Herbert, it the Cabinet; assisted by Mrs. Senator late, Mrs. Senator Bianchard, Mrs. Senator Lindsay, Mrs. Senator Johes, Mrs. constor Pugh, Mrs. Senator Pasco, Mrs. constor Pugh, Mrs. Senator Pasco, Mrs. constor Mrs. Mrs. Senator Martin, Mrs. Senator Faulkner, its Senator Gordon, Mrs. Senator Mills, ra Senator Vest, Mrs. Clarke, of Alaman, Mrs. Swanson, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. credith, and Mrs. Solicitor-General Cond., of Virginia; Mrs. Justice Fuller, Mrs. hite, Mrs. Harlan, and Mrs. Peckham, ves of the members of the Supreme 1971. Reception Committee at the ball

the Floor Committee were: Mr. Hugh edden (chairman), Captain J. W. Drew, plain T. C. Munce, Major Robert W. Mrer, Major A. D. Darden, Majer, H. Briggoe, Major Albert Akers, and for Holmes Conrad; assisted by Mr. arles Faulkner, Mr. Clarence Young, Nelson Conrad. Griffith Smith, Conradums, Charles Crisp, and Robert Bruce breman. when you have THREE of DIFFERENT DATES present them with 10 cents at

SOCIETY LADIES PRESENT.

Among the young society ladies present outlett, who attracted general attention y their peculiar types of beauty, and if of whom are from the South, were lies Helen Clarke, Miss Clark, Miss loney, Miss Witz, Miss Cooper, and

Helen Clarke, of Alabama, daughter of Representative Clarke, who made her debut this winter, is classed among the prettiest girls at the capital, inheriting her mother's good

the capital, inheriting her mother's good looks, who was a great belie. She has a fine figure, brown eyes, golden-red bur, and a perfect complexion. Her dress was of white chiffon, made over white silk: pearl ornaments.

Miss Louise Clark, daughter of Judge Clark, of Winchester, Va., who is standing the winter in this city, a guest of her married sister, possesses a magnificent figure and very handsome features, and has many admirers among DURHAM, N. C., February 4—(Special.)—Mr. W. T. Suries, aged 5 years, yard-master of the Southern railroad, met a horrible death this afternoon while attempting to couple some cars. His foot caught in the frog of a switch near Duke's factory, and his body was horribly mangled. He leaves a wife and two children. s. and has many admirers among sterner sex. Her dress was a most alful creation of brocaded satin, with

GREENSBORO, N. C., February 4.—
(Special.)—Mrs. Emma M. Gray, relict of Judkins A. Gray, died this morning at a collety. Her dress was of plak satin, loved by all who knew her.

ROADS OUT OF SIGHT. The Virginia Party Find Those of New

Jersey Under Snow. GIVEN A MOST CORDIAL WELCOME.

Received by the Governor and Both Branches of the General Assembly.

(Special.)-Notwithstanding the fact that the cerk of the weather was in an ugly mood last night and sent fleecy flakes to hide from view those selfsame roads that the legislative contingent and the officers and members of the Virginia State Good Roads Association bad journeyed to Trenton with the expressed purpose of inspecting, and that the day's programme, in so far as it related to viewing the public highways in the immediate vicinity, of Trenton, had to be omitted, the Virginia delegation have, nevertheless, spent the day with pleasure to themselves and profit to their State, dividing the hours between the Jersey capital, a ride through the country between Riverton and Morristown, in the

Although the ground was covered with a mantle of snow to the depth of several taches, and the elements seemed conspiring together to rob the trip of its enjoyment, these drawbacks could avail but little against the hospitality of the Jerseymen, and the appreciative spirit of representatives of the Old Dominion. It seymen, and the appreciative spirit of representatives of the Old Deminion. It was past 8 o'clock this morning when the visiting statesmen began to disembark from the special Pullmans which had been provided for their use, and which had been sidetracked at Trenton since 4.20 A. M. They were met at the depot by a joint committee of reception, composed of three members each on the part of the two houses of the Jersey Legislature, and a committee of like size chosen from the members of the New Jersey Good Roads Association, and escorted to the Tranton House, where breakfast had already been prepared for them.

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As soon as the wants of the inner man had been ministered to the chairman of the Reception Committee announced that the party would proceed to the State-House, where they would be presented to the Governor, and also pay their respects to the Senate and House of Assembly. Governor Griggs received each of the visitors most cordially—Mr. Maupin, of Henrico, doing the honors for the Virginians—and expressed great pleasure in meeting such a distinguished party from the Old Dominion. His Excellency, in conversation with several gentiemen, evinced deep interest in the subject of good roads, but added that the country should not rely too much on State aid in that direction. He said his county had already spent a half million doilars improving its thoroughfares.

The Senate, which was already in session, was next visited. The presence of the party in the chamber was announced, and a motion was made and unanimously adopted, to take a recreas of fifteen min-

WELCOME IN THE HOUSE. cises were of a more interesting charac-ter. The Specific velocined the vintors in the mame of New Jersey, and called upon Lieutenant-Governor Kent to ad-dress the body. Major Kent responded, and after acknowledging in fitting terms, the magnificent weicome accorded citi-zens of Virginia in the grand Common-wealth of New Jersey, paid a glowing tri-bute to the part played by that State in the war of the Revolution, adding that the trials of that struggle had bound New Jersey and Virginia together with a cord

most charming hosters. Costume, blue silk: turquoise ornaments.

Mrs. W. S. Burke, of Staunton, who spends her winters in Washington, is well known in the social word. She is a handsome brunette, and is much admired for her charming manners. Costume, pink velvet, princess, with diamond ornaments.

THE DANCERS. ever.

Senator G. A. Mushbach was next introduced. His speech was a most happy one, and caught the Jersey law-makers as if by magic. Senator Mushbach said there were several reasons why it was evidently short, as she three badly at the fluish. Prytainia backed from 2 to even money, took the last race, in a hard drive, from Bagpipe, who got the best of the start and opened a big gap, but the tower of the building in good conditived at the finish.

Weather cloudy and threatening; track was be declared, a Yankee with a was not a Virginian.

Weather cloudy and threatening: track fast.

A new Janitor.

A communication was received from thomas Dolan, resigning the position of the Howitzer and Cavairy articles.

people of Virginia.

General Hundley also spoke, and in the General Hundley also spoke, and in the course of his remarks took occasion to remind the gentlemen of the New Jersey Assembly that the socialistic sentiment attered on the floor of the United States Senate last week by a senator from a Southern State touched no responsive chord in the breast of the great heady of the southern people. Spechas body of the southern people. Speeches, all of marked ability, were also made by Hon. Isaac Diggs, Colonel A. S. Buford, and Mr. Joseph Bryan.

APPLAUD THE MONROE DOCTRINE. All of the speeches were well received, and Mr. Diggs's indirect reference to the and Mr. Diggs's indirect reference to the Monroe doctrine was the signal for a great outburst of applause. At the conclusion of the addresses the party repaired to the portice of the State-House, where they were photographed, Governor Griggs and Lieutenant-Governor Kent occupying prominent positions in the group, Luncheon was served at boon at the Trenton House, where, after bidding their Jersey brethren good-by, the Virginia party took a train for Riverton, N. J. When this point was reached there were walting to receive them Mr. Conro, the president of the New Jersey State Good-Roads Association, and a number of farmers residing in the neighborhood. The Virginians were ushered into a spacious hail, where for more than an hour they listened to practical talks on road improvements, delivered by Mr. Conro and others. They then entered carriages, and were driven over one of Jersey's crack

others. They then entered carriages, and were driven over one of Jersey's crack stone roads to Morristown, where they boarded the train bound for Philadelphia. The latter city was reached at 6 P. M.

The party rolled out of the Pennsylvania Depot homeward bound a few minutes after midnight, having spent the interveniag hours at places of amusement. The members of the party, with one accord, are loud in their praises of the hospitality of the Jerseymen, as the delegate from Brunswick declared, it could not have been surpassed, even by old Virginia herself.

Senator Daniel wired General Roy Stone,

virginia herself. Senator Daniel wired General Roy Stone, vho joined the party at Washington, ex-reseing his regrets at being unable to

be with the company.
Mr. J. E. Ashburner, Jr., and Mr. W. P.
Taylor were indefatigable in their efforts
to contribute to the pleasure of the party.

MEXICO AND ATLANTA. No Attachments on the Former's Ex-

hibit at the Fair. ATLANTA, GA., February statement having been printed that at-tachments were made upon the Mexican exhibit at the late Cotton States and International Exposition, it is necessary to say that they were untrue in fact. The Mexican exhibit was not attached, and Mexican-Commissioner Signor Gonzales was served with no legal papers of any

It seems that shortly after the opening of the exposition the Government of Mexico decided to be represented. While the exposition was in progress, and before the Mexican exhibit had taken full shape. Commissioner Gonzales concluded that he would like to give it a much wider scope. Several citizens offered him the money with which to proceed, without having to wait for an appropriation from the Mexican Government. After the exposition was over the gentlemen who It seems that shortly after the opening

thus loaned the money went to Europe, and it was in talking over his affairs that the rumor got out that the Mexican bill had not been paid. As a matter of fact, the money was on its way at the time this talk began, and the publication of it in this form was unjust, both to the Mexican Government, to Signor Gonzales, and to the people of Atlanta.

The directors of the exposition, at their closing meeting, passed resolutions of high compliment, acknowledging the courtesy and the satisfactory dealings of the Mexican Government.

NEWSPAPER-MAN NO MORE. ir. George Nicholson, of the New Orleans "Plenyune."

NEW ORLEANS, LA., February 4.-Mr. George Nicholson, one of the pro-prietors of the Picayune, died this after-The immediate cause of death was congestion of the lungs,

death was congestion of the lungs, brought about by a severe attack of pneumonia, from which the immediate relatives of the deceased had hoped he had about recovered.

Only yesterday morning Mr. Nicholson was down at his office, a trifle weak, but in what all hopes was a better condition of health than he had had for some time past. Late in the afternoon the deceased was taken worse, and was at once removed to his home, No. 1766 Jackson avenue. He became rapidly worse, and despite the attention of the most skilful medical men in the city, and the unceasing attention of his devoted wife and other relatives, Mr. Nicholson gradually sank, expiring, as stated above, this afternoon.

TESTIMONIAL OF RESPECT.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., February 4.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., February 4.— the following resolutions were adopted by the Chamber of Commerce this af-ernoon on the death of George Nichol-

ternoon on the death of George Nicholson:

"Resolved, That the Chamber of Commerce of Louislana learns with the deepest sorrow of the demise of our esteemed and revered fellow-citizen. George Nicholson, Esq., of the New Orleans Picayune: a man of unbounded kindness and geniality; one whose heart and atm in life was to do good to his fellow-men, and to push forward with all his energetic zeal the advancement and prosperity of this Commonwealth; one who fostered all enterprises that might benefit the city: one who alled with his purse and his counsel all movements tending to that end.

"The community has indeed lost a good citizen, and truly an honorable and upright man, whose walk in life has ever been pure and unselfish looking forward always to the future greatness of this city: therefore, be it.

"Resolved, That we tender to his desolate widow and children our sincere condolences in this their hour of bereavement.

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"Resolved. That these resolution be inscribed upon the book of records, and that a copy be forwarded to his family.
"JOSEPH H. DEGRANGE (Chairman), "ALBERT BALDWIN.
"CHARLES JANVIER.
"Attest: Robert Bleakley, Secretary."

SEVERAL PAD STARTS.

Fitzgerald at New Orleans Distinguishes Himself.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., February 4.-It is very doubtful if another such ex-Libition of starting will ever be witnessed by race-goers as was given by Starter Fitzgerald this afternoon. He started off badly in the first race, gave a fair start in the second, and a bad one in the third; but in the handicap he eclipsed all his previous bad work by giving one of the most wretched starts ever made. Birdeatcher, who carried nearly all the wise money, was at the seventy-yard pole, while George W. Dockstader and one or two others were hidden from view by the judges' stand. Birdeatcher raced up to the field, but on account of closing up the gas tired badly in the stretch and was unplaced. With anything like a start not one of the first three could have been placed. The first race was taken by Elsie Ferguson, who got the best of the bad start, and won all the way. Parmeaan demonstrated that he way a good horse by giving away weight and winning the 2-year-old race, with Oxeys, who got off badly. nessed by race-goers as was given by

Evanesca, thanks to Thorpe's vigorous riding, took the third, although Fannie Ro-

First race—six furlongs—Elsie Ferguson (102, Caywood, 5 to 1) won, Rosalind II, second, Georgie Smith third, Time,

1361-4. Second race—half a mile, for 2-year-olds--Parmeaan (118. Penn, 7 to 1) won, Oxeye second, Star Tobacco third, Time, Third race-seven furlongs, handleap-

Evanesca (167, Thorpe, 3 to 5) won, Fannie Rowena second, Panout third. 1:16 1-2. Time, 1:161-2.
Fourth race—one mile, handicap— George W. 66, Sherrer, 10 to O won, Orinda second. Dockstader third, Time,

Fifth race-six furlongs-Prytania (105, Hill. 6 to 5) won. Bagpipe second, Trixle third. Time, 1:153-4.

WESTERN CORN FOR EXPORT. Shipments to Newport News and

Norfolk-A Change. facts are made very evident by last week's statement of east-bound ship-

ments:

ments:
Those by the Newport News route suffered a falling off, and a large tonnage of export corn went east via Columbus and Norfolk, using the Erie and Norfolk and Western railroads. According to the Board of Trade statement, the Erie railroad took east 7,127 terms of export corn, which it turned over ment, the Eric railroad took east 7,127 tons of export corn, which it turned over to the Norfolk and Western road at Columbus, O., something like 300 cars. It was reported that the additional advantage of the 3-cents differential rate over New York 's influencing traffic of this nature by the route mentioned. Another fact that has its effect is that a Norfolk the Norfolk and Western owns. an elevator, and elevator charges are per-haps absorbed at that point.

FOR JOINT LEGISLATION.

To Protect Fish in the Tributaries of the Chesapeake.

ANNAPOLIS, MD., February 4.-(Sp. cial.)-The joint resolution introduced in the Senate by Senator Dryden, and

the Senate by Senator Dryden, and amended in the House, proposing the appointment of a joint committee to visit the General Assembly of Virginia and endeavor to secure concurrent legislation for the protection of fish in the tributaries of the Chesapeake, was passed by the House-yeas, 67; nays, 6.

Mr. Ford, who voted "no," explained his vote by saying that he had noticed that previous assemblies had sent delegation after delegation to the General Assembly of Virginia for this purpose, and nothing had ever been accomplished; not it or 1 cent's worth of benefit had ever resulted to the State. He thought the proposed visit would likewise be a failure.

Another Royal Betrothal.

BELGRADE, February 4.—It is an-nounced that King Alexander, of Servia, has been betrothed to Princess Helene, third daughter of the Prince of Montene-

cure a cold in one day take Laxative

REPORT MOST READY.

The Committee on Investigation Has Agreed Upon Its Pinal Statement.

The special committee of the City Council appointed to investigate the affairs of the City Gas-Works has practically concluded its labors, and is about ready to submit its report. It only remains now to put its report, which has been fully agreed upon, into proper shape, and have forwarded to the Council with the committee's recommendation. The committee met in Room II of the

the final features of the report, just the nature of which could not be learned. When Chairman Gunst was seen by a Dispatch man just after the meeting, which was purely an executive session, the Monroe Ward Councilman declined to discuss the report further than to say that it had been adopted and would be written up properly and forwarded to the Council when the committee could meet again. It is thought that the report will deal with all the principal facts as developed by the testimony before the Committee on Investigation, and will fasten the blame for the large shortage at the gas-works where it belongs. The City Attorney and the present Superintendent of the Gas-Works have rendered the committee much assistance since the inquiry began. In fact the investigation was conducted in the main by City-Attorney Meredith, whose advice largely shaped the report which is forthcoming. which was purely an executive session GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS MEET-

GROUNDS AND BUILDINGS MELLIING.

The Committee on Grounds and Buildings held a regular meeting at 7 o'clock
last night, there being present Messrs.
Epps tchairman), Briggs, Blake, Grimes,
Seay, King, and Gunst.

A communication was submitted from
City Auditor Warren, in which that official referred to the ordinance of the
Council authorizing him to pay the salaries and wages of the city officers and
employees due for 1896, and charge the
same to appropriations for that year.
Mr. Warren explained that according to
his construction of the city ordinance
he could not pay the amounts due on
January 15th, as the fiscal year did not
close until January 31st, and the new
fiscal year commenced on February 1st.

WANT A JANITOR. WANT A JANITOR.

A resolution offered by Alderman Mitchell appropriating \$25 per month for the employment of a janitor for the Armory of the First Battallon, Virginia Volunteers (colored), was considered.

Mr. Blake said he thought as the building was city property, an appropriation should be made to keep the building in the proper order.

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Mr. Gaines, said there should be a janitor to take care of the building, and he wanted to see the sum of \$45 allowed per month for this purpose. This was a Democratic administration, and he wanted to see an appropriation made for a white man, and wanted the companying the support the pensation large enough to support the pensation large enough to support the man and his family, if he had one to support. The City Hall janitors received 345 per month, and he saw no reason why the janiter of the building under consideration should not receive a simi-

Mr. Briggs thought \$15 per month would be amply sufficient for the pur-Mr. Epps opposed any appropriation

THE RESOLUTION TABLED. Mr. Gunst made a speech in favor of financial reform, and said he would not vote for any measure creating an-other office until he heard from the con-dition of the city's finances for the year. He opposed the resolution, which was, upon motion of Mr. Seay, laid upon the

A NEW JANITOR.

A communication was received from Fhomas Dolan, resigning the position of janitor of the Howitzer and Cavalry armories, to which he was elected at the last meeting of the committee. The resignation was accepted, and the following applicants were listed for the position: J. J. English, Frank H. Gayford, M. W. King, A. Krezmarz, R. H. Lucard, Clarence Matthews, J. V. Norfleet, S. J. Perkinson, Jr., A. J. Roper, L. R. Shell, P. W. Siedd, C. E. Sims, A. J. Tuck, S. J. Winder, G. Massie, Perkins Miller, Bernard Clary, W. H. Berry, John H. Reverldge, M. S. Burke, D. Driscoll, William Eacho, and H. J. Leiss.

It was a matter of some curiosity to see how many people were seeking one position, and a member of the committee humorously remarked that the situation reminded him of a swarm of flies congregated about a drop of moiasses. When the balloting commenced there was a smile about the table, and each member of the committee got out his pencil and nonceeded to husiness.

of the committee got out his pencil and proceeded to business. On the fourth ballot Bernard Clary was elected, and his election was then made

The Committee Didn't Meet.

There was to have been a meeting of the Committee of the Whole last night, but no one but President William M. Turpin, of the Board of Aldermen, put in an appearance. It appears that there was some misunderstanding as to the body having been called, and that the body having been called, and that the members were not summoned. The hotel proprietors were present to protest against the ordinance requiring them to put rope fire-escapes in their buildings. They said that they would put up as many iron escapes as were needed, but were opposed to the ropes. It would afford the means of exit to too many persons who would like to "skip" with their board-bilis un-paid.

There will be a meeting at 5 o'clock this afternoon of the special Committee on the Division of Clay Ward. All mem-bers are urgently requested to be pres-

In Respect to the Memory of the A largely-attended meeting of the Rich-mond Howitzers was held at their Armory

HOWITZERS ADOPT RESOLUTIONS

ast night, when resolutions of respect to the memory of the late Captain R. C. Wortham were adopted:

Wortham were adopted:

The resolutions, which were drawn by a committee, composed of Sergeant R. A. Williams (chairman), Lieutenant W. A. Barrett, Corporal John J. Wilson, Jr., and Private John T. Watson, Jr., set forth "that in the death of Captain Wortham the community has lost a most useful citizen, exemplary in his habits of life, public-spirited, and always ready to respond to every call of duty, which, once undertaken, no stone was left unturned until a perfect and complete accomplishment thereof was effected; his family a faithful and stauch supporter, gentle yet firm, tender, and true, he was all that son or brother or father could be to his dear ones; the military cause in general a friend, true and tried, and it was particularly in seasons of adversity that the nobility of his character shone forth in all its respiendent beauty; while his comrades of the Howitzers particularly recognitions.

nized in him a brave, valiant, and courageous soldier, sympathetic, and affectionate comrade, an officer considerate and gentle when commanding, yet when occasion required, a firm and determined disciplinarian."

The resolutions provide for verting apart

disciplinarian."

The resolutions provide for setting apart a memorial page in the Howitzers' book of records as a testimonial of the love in which the deceased was held by his comrades, and request the family of the deceased to furnish the battery with the necessary facilities for securing a life-size and durable portrait to be hung in the Armory.

Armory.

Major Henry C. Carter, Captain E. J.
Bosher, and Mr. Dan McCarthy were at
the meeting, and Mr. McCarthy and Captain Hutcheson addressed the battery.

RECEPTION TO REV. MR. HYDE.

New Pastor of the Third Presbyterian Church Warmly Welcomed. Rev. Charles R. Hyde, the new pas-tor of the Third Presbyterian church, room of the church last night, and quite a pleasant evening was spent by

a pleasant evening was spent by all present. Mr. Edward Pleasants delivered a short address of welcome, and was followed by Dr. Hoge, who made a few happy remarks appropriate to the occasion. Rev. Dr. R. J. Willingham also spoke in a most happy manner. At the conclusion of Dr. Willingham's remarks all the members of the congregation present came forward and made the acquaintance of the new passes. gregation present came forward and made the acquaintance of the new pas-

A reception committee from the Ladies' Society assisted in receiving, while a score of young ladies of the church dispensed light refreshments.

The lecture-room was very prettily decorated with ferns, potted plants, and

I. N. Veasey (in respect to which various rumors had been published indicating that she was a Cuban filibusterer, and had slipped out to sea without proper papers), was still lying quietly in port, with nothing to indicate anything suspicious about her cargo or destination.

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Secretary Carlisle has, however, directed the Collector of Customs at Norfolk to consult the District Attorney as to detaining the steamer. 'The Spanish officials suspect the vessel of illibustering

PAILURE IN DRY GOODS.

The Dealer Trusted Strikers, Who Failed to Pay.

PORT HURON, MICH., February 4 .-S. L. Ballentine, a prominent dry-goods for \$15,560 on real estate, with a trustee, to secure outside creditors for that

Mr. Ballentine's failure is due to bad

JUDGE GEORGE MASON DEAD.

He Was a Native of Virginia, and of Distinguished Ancestry.

GALVESTON, TEX., February 4.-Judge George Mason, a distinguished lawyer of this city, died at San Antonio yen-terday morning of Bright's disease. The deceased was 65 years of age, and a nadeceased was 65 years of age, and a na-tive of Virginia. He was a direct de-scendant from George Mason, author of the Virginia Bill of Rights, and son of James M. Mason, United States Senator from Virginia, who, with Sildell, was sent by the Confederate Government as special envoy to Great Britain and France during the civil war.

MEXICAN RAILWAY-MEN STRIKE. Gold and Silver Money.

EAGLE PASS, TEX., February 4.-The machinists, boiler-makers, and blacksmiths employed in the extensive shops of the Mexican International railway, in Ciudad Porforio Diaz, went out on strike yesterday for an advance of 25 per cent. n wages.
This advance was asked, the men say

to equalize the wages paid in Cludad Porforio Dias in sliver with those paid in gold. The American mechanics partici-pated in the movement.

NEW YORK, February 4.—The Journal of Commerce and Commercial Bulletin, in its weekly review of the dry-goods market, says:

The week closes with the dry-goods market presenting but little change in material conditions from a week ago, there having been no change of importance in the outside influences which

tance in the outside influences which are so largely governing it.

Buyers have maintained their attitude of reserve, and in staple cotton goods have rarely shown a disposition to provide beyond near requirements, whilst sellers, recognizing the futflity of endeavors to break down that reserve, have seldom made unsolicited overtures entailing breaks in prices beyond what they were prepared to accomplish a week ago. The business transacted in cotton dress fabrics has been moderate, and without material alteration in values.

The woollen and worsted goods departments have also failed to disclose any change in values.

Railroad Odds and Ends Sold. Railroad Odds and Ends Sold.

SAVANNAH, GA., February 4.—Master-Commissioner W. R. Leaken sold before the court-house to-day property of the Central Railroad and Banking Company, not covered by the mortgage under which the road was sold. The property consisted of real estate in Richmond, Burke. Chatham, Bereven, McIntosh, Effingham, and Washington counties, besides a lot of notes and accounts.

counts.

The entire property was bid in by Messra. Thomas & Ryan, purchasers of the Central, for the purpose of perfecting their title, and the total amoun bid was \$57,630.621-2.

LADIES NOT INVITED

There May. Be Trouble in the Kentucky Legislature To-Day.

BLACKBURN GAINS TWO VOTES

Sharp Passage at Arms Between a and the Lieutenant-Governor-

roll-call disclosed the presence of ES members in the joint assembly to-day. Holloway for McCreary, and Stone for

When the name of Mr. Johns (Democrat), of Floyd, who had been voting for Mr. McCreary and other sound-money Democrate, was reached, he arose and reasons for his course up to the present Blackburn, but declaring that the crists had been reached, and he was almost ready to announce his vote for Black-burn-when Lieutenant-Governor Worthington, who was in the chair, rapped the Floyd-county member to order, ruling his remarks out of order.

A reception committee from the Ladies' Society assisted in receiving, while a score of young ladies of the church dispensed light refreshments.

The lecture-room was very prettily decorated with ferns, potted plants, and colored lamps.

THE ANTI-BAYARD RESOLUTION.

Conference as to When It Shall Be Considered.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 4.—Messrs, Dingley, chairman of the Committee on Ways and Means, and Hitt, chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs, had an informal conference today as to the date when the resolution censuring ambassador Bayard for his Edinburgh and Boston (England) speeches shall be considered in the House.

It was decided that it would be best not to call it up until the calendar's letear of appropriation bills, unless in the event that for some now unforcen reason it should be deemed inadvisable to go on with the consideration of appropriation.

The resolution will be reported to the House and placed on the calendar within a day or two, but the debate upon it, which is expected to last two or three days, may not begin for some time.

SUSPECTED BY THE SPANISH.

Steamer at Norfolk Thought to Have Fillbustering Intentions.

WASHINGTON, D. C., February 4.—Dispatches received by the Southern Associated Press from Merfolk, Va., state that up to 2:20 P, M. to-day the steamer I. N. Veasey (in respect to which various rumors had been paolished indicating that the Floyd-county member to order.

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To provide for permanent fortifications at Cape Henry and Cape Charles, Va. (appropriating \$1.000,000).

To authorize the admission into the home for disable! volunteer soldiers of veterans of the war of 1812 and the Mraican war, who subsequently entered the service of the Confederate States.

Fixing the salary of the Collector of Customs at Newport News, Va.

To widen, deepen, and improve the channel of Elizabeth river from Hampton Roads to the Norfolk navy-yard.

Appropriating \$100,000 to complete the public building at Norfolk, Va.

For the relief of the residuary legatess of Mark Davis, deceased, late of Petersburg, Va.

Mr. Ballentine's failure is due to bad collections, and the present stagnation of business. The business has been sold, and will be conducted by a new company. During the last strike Ballentine trusted strikers to the extent of \$8.000, which he has been unable to collect.

The failure has created much excitement, and it is runored that several more failures will result in a few days. 5 P. M. This is the first opportunity ever offered here to secure rare old violins at

Notice!

On and after February 4th the sleeper heretofore open at the Union Depot at 9 P. M. will be discontinued. H. M. BOYKIN. Passenger Agent.

If the Baby Is Cutting Teeth be sure and use that old and well-ried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing-Syrup, for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind-colic, and is the best remedy for diarrhoes. Twenty-five cents a bot-

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THE UNITED BANKING AND BUILD-ING COMPANY, 821 cast Main street.

He Chose Well.

Richmond, Va., January 31, 1898.

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Dear Sir.—My good husband, Mr. Samenel J. Smith, was taken from majust one week ago. I appreciate yous promptness in paying me 1985.55, which, with the sick-benefits advanced to him during iffe, equal \$1,000—the amount of his benefit certificate.

It is the only insurance my husband carried on his life, and it is fortunate that he has chosen the Guild for the purpose.

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MRS. S. J. SMITH.

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